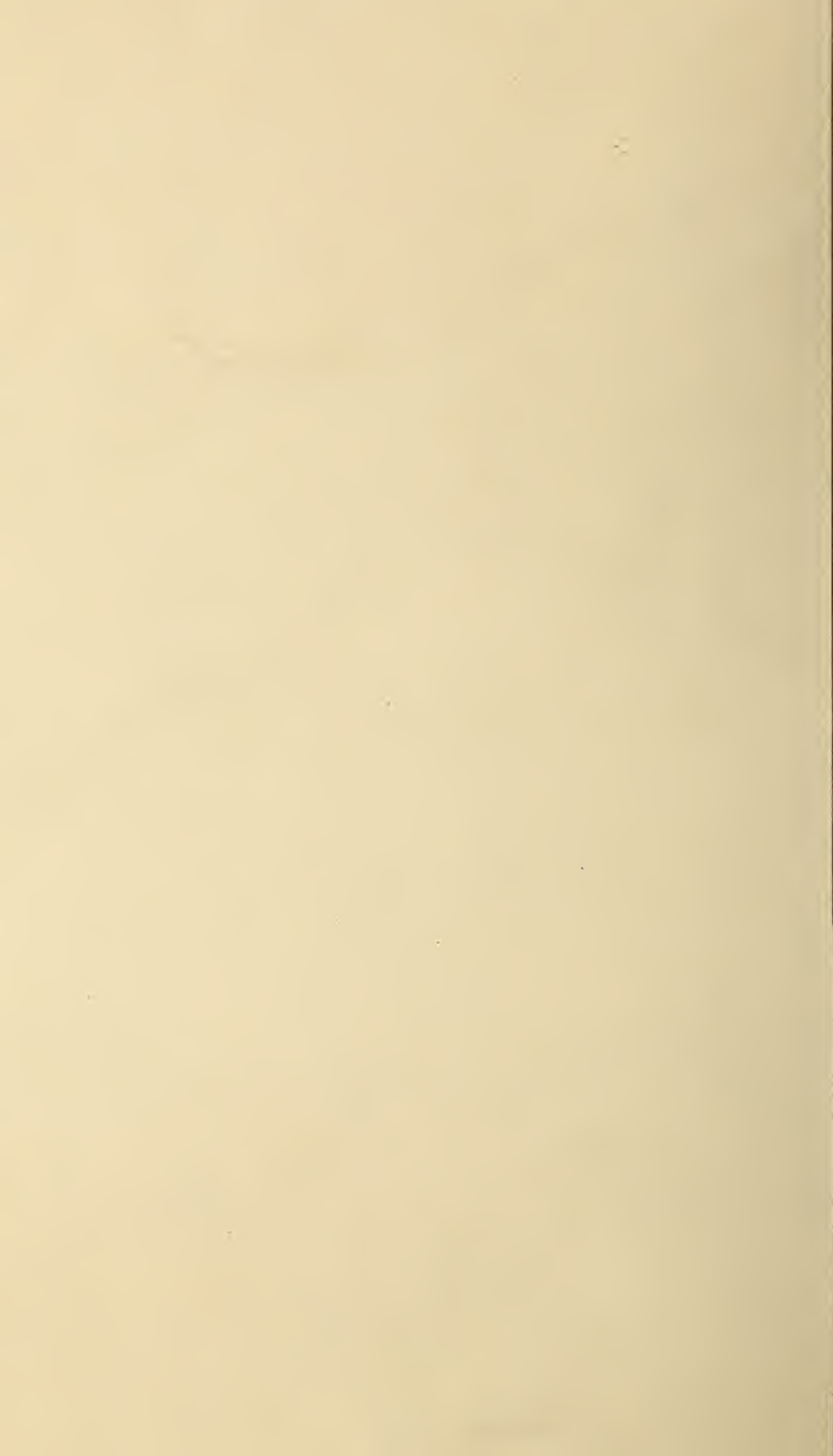


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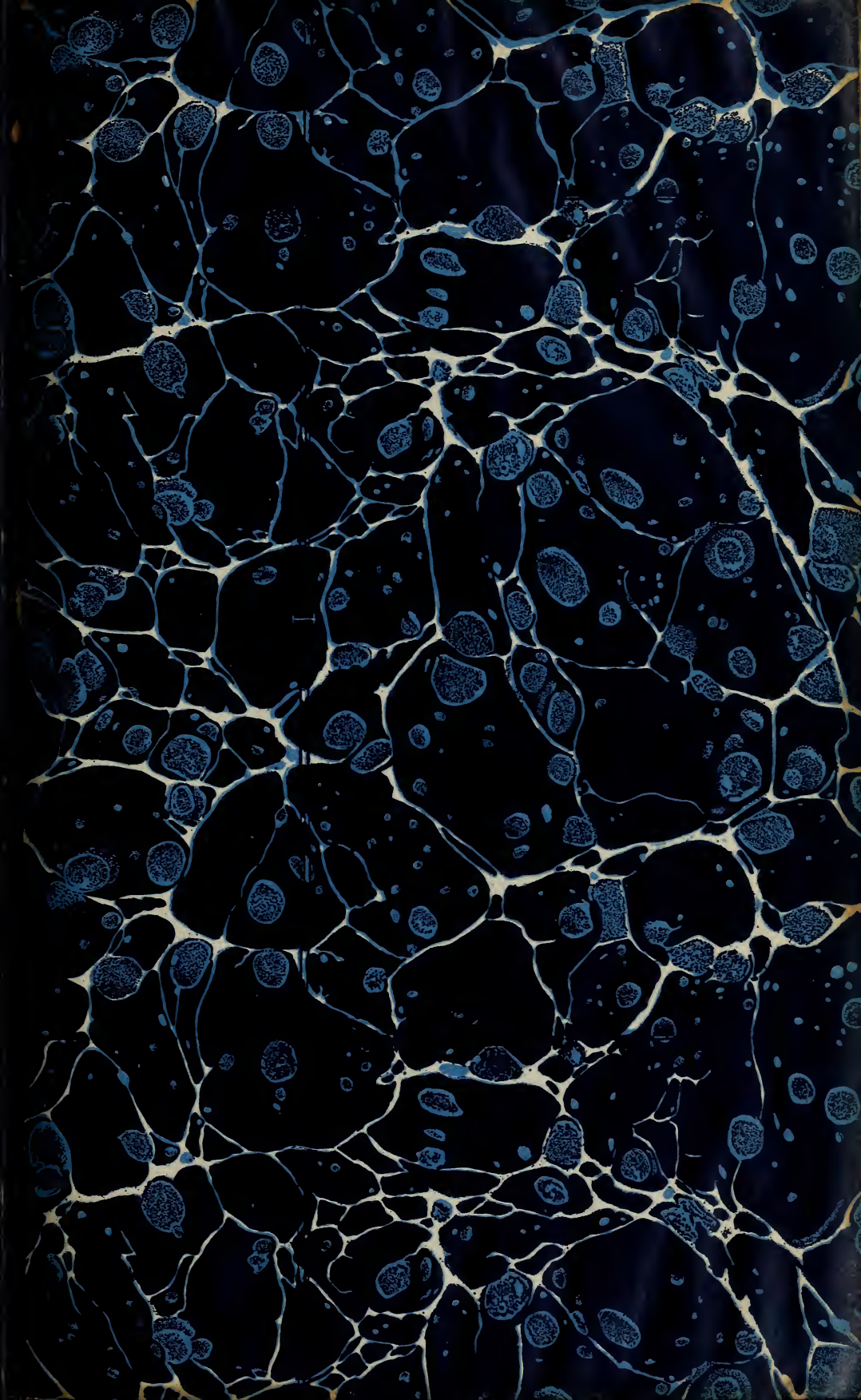
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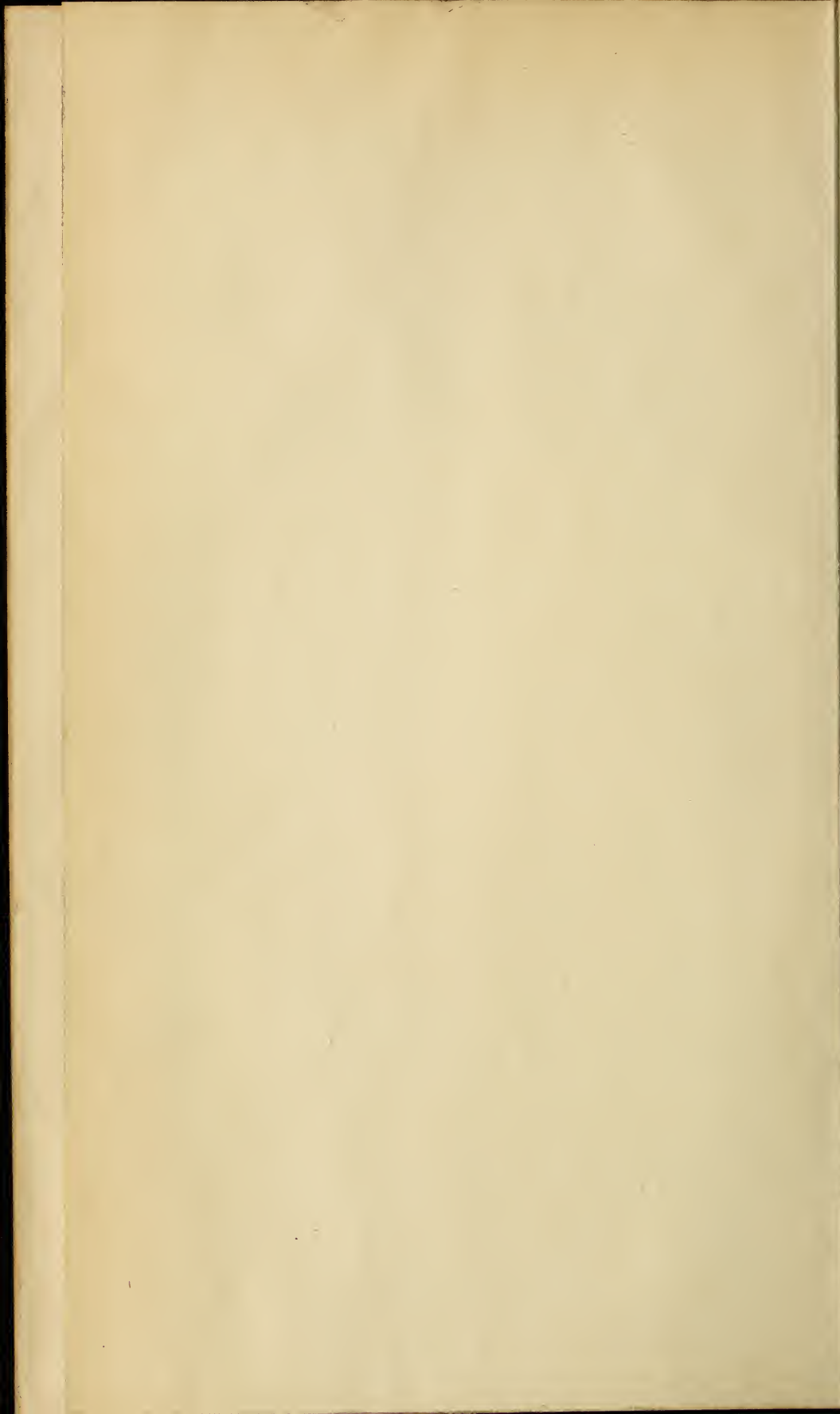
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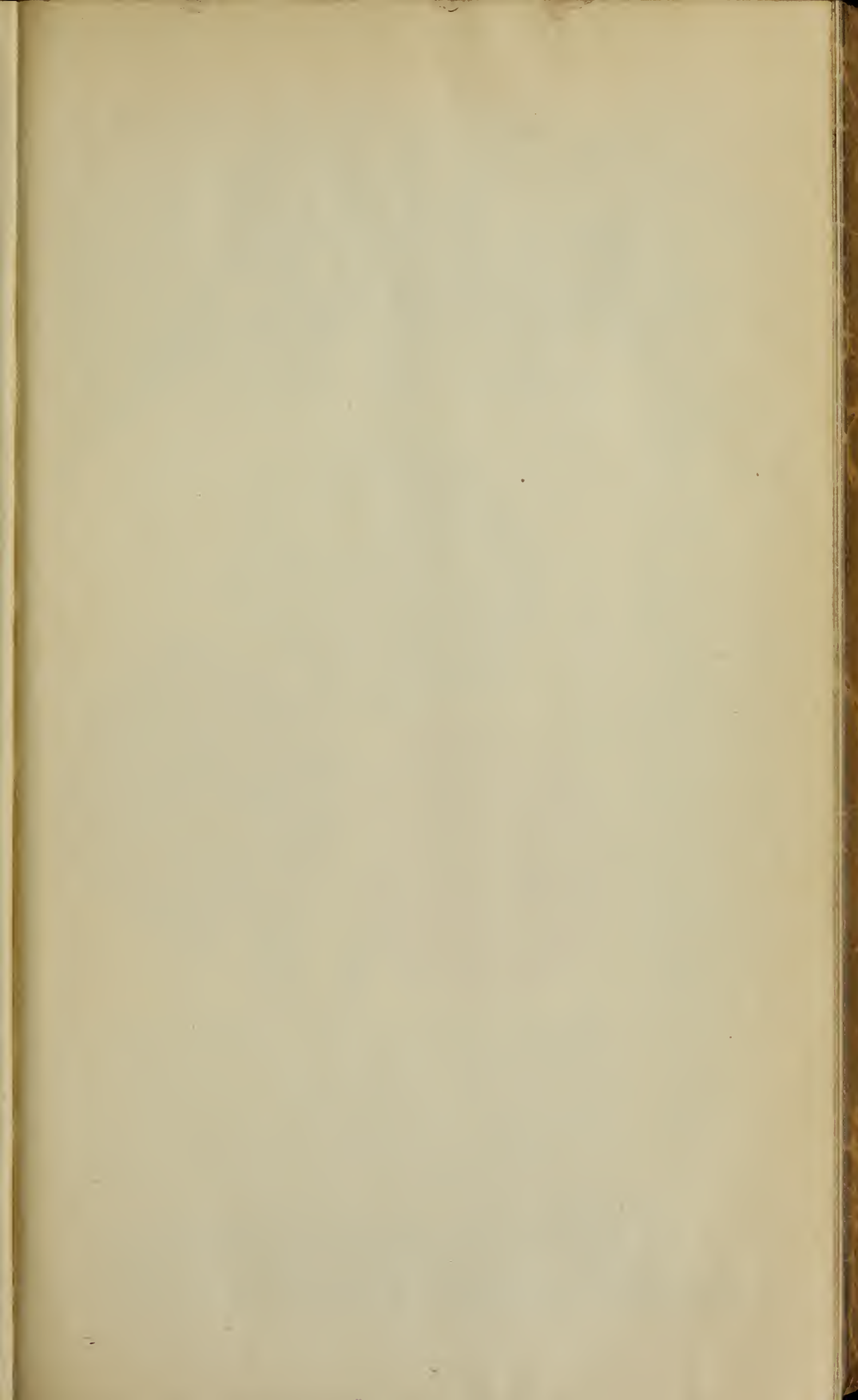


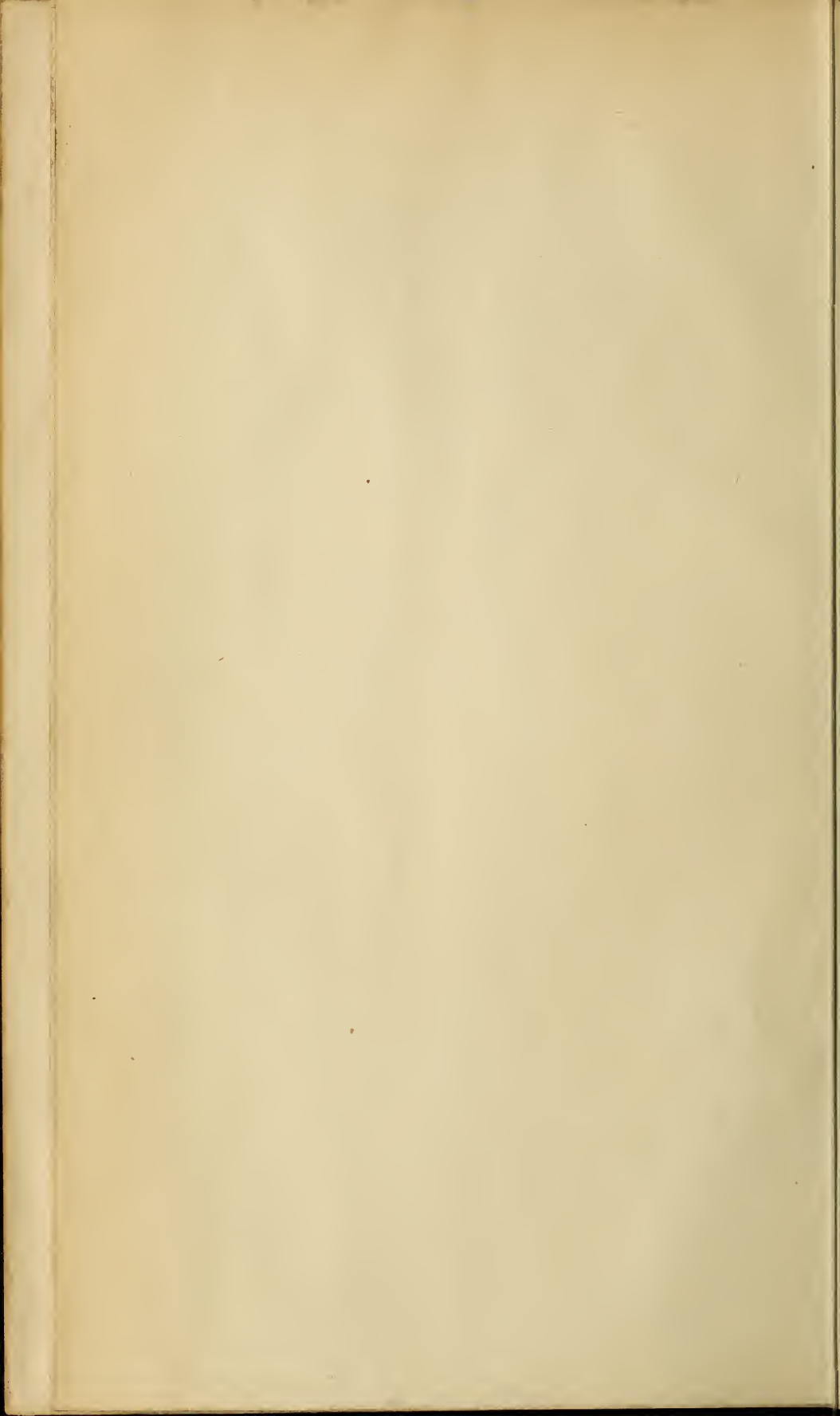












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### JANUARY.

Oh, January, cruel and long and bold,  
Our birds you have scared away with your cold;  
But we hope that you'll save our flowers, asleep,  
With your fleecy cover of snow so deep.  
Minburn, Ia. Mrs. B. L. S.

### REX BEGONIAS.

**A**MONG the most beautiful of foliage plants for the window and conservatory, are the Rex Begonias. They now appear in many hybrids and varieties which vary greatly in colors and markings, although the original, introduced from Assam in 1858, did not vary in general appearance.

The plants are of easy culture, and must be grown in very porous, well-drained soil, with good light, but shielded from the hot mid-day sun. A moist temperature is necessary, and this can be provided by placing shallow, open pans of water upon the register or radiator. Where a room is heated by a stove, brackets for these pans can be attached to the pipe, and thus the pans can be placed where they will not be in the way.

Like all other Begonias the Rex sorts require a season of rest, which can best be given in the winter. At this time give only enough water to keep the roots in good condition, and set the plants in a rather cool, retired place, regardless of the light. The temperature can range from 50° to 60° Fah., but avoid sudden changes, which are very detrimental to the health of the plants. Usually five or six weeks will be a long enough period of rest, then the water-supply should be gradually renewed, and

the plants given a lighter and warmer place. If any are root-bound this is the time to shift them into larger pots; but always remember that the soil must be light and porous, and good drainage provided. A very good material for Begonias of all kinds is prepared by piling up in summer the scrapings of the walks, together with some sods, sand and a little fresh-slacked lime.

The great beauty of these richly-marked foliage plants, together with their easy culture and ready propagation ought to make them more popular, and would certainly do so if their merits were better known.



A PLANT OF REX BEGONIA.

**Cover.**—Early in January is a good time to protect plants that are not entirely hardy. Use coal ashes for roses and shrubs, heaping them high around the stems, and then throwing over some old hay or shingles or boards to partially turn the water. This could have been done earlier, but in most cases it is still timely, as the chief damage to plants from cold is done in the spring, after the sap begins to flow. Where Roses and Shrubs are tall, the stems

can be pressed together and tightly enclosed in a bunch of Rye straw, the straw well bound with twine, so as to keep out rain and wind and shield the plant from sudden changes of temperature.

**Diseased Begonia.**—Mrs. Line, of Ohio, has a Begonia affected with fungus. The only remedy is to cut and burn the leaves, and stir lime and sulphur into the soil. See that soil is porous and drainage good. Ventilate, and avoid the hot mid-day sun.



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**Catalpa speciosa.**—This is a beautiful shade tree of medium height, forming a thick, bushy top of semi-tropical foliage. Its greatest beauty appears in mid-summer, when every branch is tipped with a big panicle of lavender-white flowers, in form not unlike a *Martynia*, graceful and attractive. At a little distance a blooming tree is a mass of white, and elicits the admiration of all who pass. The tree is perfectly hardy, and should be better known. It is easily propagated from seeds.

**Araucaria Excelsa.**—This is a beautiful evergreen coniferous tree from the Norfolk Island. In its native soil it will grow from fifty to seventy feet high, showing its great, plumey branches from the ground to the top. It is of easy culture and a fine window plant when small. It requires a well-drained compost of two parts fibrous loam, one part leaf mould and one part sand, well mixed. Pot firmly and give a rather sunny situation. Water moderately and shift into larger pots as they grow. Avoid clogged drainage, a hot, dry atmosphere, and keeping the soil too wet.

**Geraniums in Winter.**—Some of the compact single-flowered *Geraniums* bloom well in winter in a window fully exposed to the sun, the temperature being rather warm, moist and even. The plants should be started from cuttings taken in Spring and grown on, shifting into larger pots as soon as the roots begin to crowd. A compost made of one part rich loam, two parts sharp sand and one part well rotted stable manure, all well mixed, will develop the plants and promote blooming. It is essential, however, that the sun-rays have free access to the plants to secure the best results.

**Leaves Dropping.**—Mrs. W., of Pittsburgh, Pa., has a *Senecio petasites*, and the leaves dropped just when the flower buds were formed. Her trouble is doubtless due to clogged drainage. When water stands in the soil it generates acid, which injures the roots, causing the leaves to drop. To overcome the trouble let the soil become almost dry, then apply lime-water as hot as the hand will bear until warm water streams from the drainage hole in the bottom of the pot. Or repot the plant in fresh, healthy soil, firming well, and watering sparingly at first, increasing the supply when growth begins.

## FREAKS IN ROSES.

It is not uncommon for Roses to show changes in color and form of flowers, and in growth and habit of plants, and such changes, mostly known as freaks, are frequently reported. The following note pertaining to this subject has just been received:



Mr. Editor:—In the October Magazine there is an inquiry about Roses changing color. Now, I have such experience, but mine is just opposite. I had a beautiful velvety dark red Tea Rose, which changed to a faded pink, not very pleasing. Can there be anything done to bring back its natural color?—Mrs. L. W. B., Ind., Dec. 4, 1917.

These freaks are doubtless caused by a variation of soil, air or other conditions, very often things over which the gardener has no control. As a rule iron in the soil has a tendency to make the color of foliage and flowers brighter and more intense, and to provide that element the filings and sweepings from a blacksmith shop stirred into the surface soil about the plant may have the desired effect. It is not uncommon for Roses to bear faded or inferior flowers one season, and the next season return to the original color. Some seasons the plants are subject to mildew, and in others are healthy. In some seasons Roses are much troubled with insect pests, while in others they are almost free. All of these things indicate that the climatic conditions as well as the soil elements have much to do with our success in Rose culture, and we must vary our treatment to promote the healthy growth and blooming of the plants. Bituminous coal dust mixed with potting soil will mostly keep variegated-leaved plants from turning green, and the blacksmith's sweepings will often retain variegation.

**Gas and Plants.**—Many persons fall with window plants, and attribute their failure to the gas used in heating and lighting the house. If there are no leaks the gas is not generally at fault, but the trouble comes from keeping the atmosphere too dry and hot. Where there is a gas leak the plants will suffer, but with sufficient ventilation and a moist atmosphere no damage will result from using gas as fuel and light. This is attested by the following note, just received from a subscriber:

Mr. Editor:—We have many window plants, and we use natural gas for fuel and light, but I find no difficulty in keeping them in good condition. I keep a vessel of water upon the stove in the sitting room, which furnishes moisture, and this, with the ventilation given makes the air healthy for the family as well as the plants.—Mrs. W., New York.

It should be known that an atmosphere so charged with gas as to injure plants is not suitable for the human family, and efforts should be made at once to purify the air, to avoid sickness and death. In this respect plants are a valuable barometer, and their indications should be heeded.

## Children's Letter

**M**Y DEAR CHILDREN: This is a beautiful December morning. The sky is clear and the sun is shining bright upon the frosty landscape. The leafless trees are standing motionless, and there is no voice of bird or insect. What a change has been effected by the Ice King! It seems but a short



Viburnum Twigs

time since the trees and shrubs were radiant with living green, and insects greeted us upon every hand. Now we only hear the lonely call of the Crow among the forest trees, or the bark of the watch dog upon a neighboring farm. You may think that old Mother Earth is lifeless or weary, but that is not true. Come with me to the garden, and you will find Nature full of life and activity.

Here by the path are some fruit trees, Apricot, Peach, Plum and Cherry. See how the little bloom-buds are already formed and set thickly along the stems. They give us visions of early spring, when these same trees will be a wealth of lovely pink and white bloom. Further on, by the water's edge, you see the tall, spreading Elm, every little twig bristling with big brown buds, ready to burst into charming flower clusters in early spring. This tree reminds me of sugar-time on the old homestead, when the Elms were in full bloom, the ground covered with soft snow, and the early song sparrows singing in the brakes.

Further on we note the twiggy branches of *Viburnum prunifolium* covered with cluster-buds, and how beautiful in spring will be the dense little trees in their dress of green and white. In winter the slender nude twigs of this native shrub are always interesting to note, as many of them turn in a sharp angle, as if crooking a finger at you, and some make an entire turn, as shown in the sketch, apparently without any reason. Nature is full of such little peculiarities, if we would but notice them.

Over by the tall pole encircled with a Wistaria vine you see a spreading bush that in summer was thickly set with graceful foliage, bespangled with pure white blackberry-like flowers. That is *Rhodotypus Kerrioides*. Every summer day as I walked down the path this bush was a source of admiration, and it remained a long time in bloom. In the fall, however, clusters of little shining black beads succeeded the flowers, and these remained after Jack Frost had cruelly stripped off the foliage

Rhodotypus  
Kerrioides

with his icy pruning hook. Even now these clusters are interesting and pretty, and to give you an idea of their appearance, the little sketch of them is here given. It is a shrub that should be better known.

I have spoken before of the big scarlet Maple by the water's edge. Every little twig is now thickly set with fat, swelling buds—a promise



Alnus Serrulata

of the sweets of early spring. But just across the water, near the path is a group of the native Alder, *Alnus serrulata*, which reflects its graceful bud-tails in the water, and only await the early spring sunshine and showers to develop into swinging, clinging tassels of brown and gold. How we love these little harbingers of the opening summer-time. Just beyond is the group of Hazel bushes with similar bud-clusters.

I have before mentioned the charming budded branches of the big white Poplar and the Carolina Poplar, beautiful specimens of which may be seen from the garden path; but I have not spoken of a Japanese tree, *Paulownia imperialis*, now showing lovely panicles of soft light-brown buds, large and pretty and promising. The artist has sketched one of these panicles to show what they are like. You cannot but admire them now, but in early spring, when each bud develops into a big purple flower, how glorious the tree becomes. This specimen is but twenty feet high, and is protected from the north wind by the office building. In fully exposed places the buds are sometimes frosted in this latitude.

One of the earliest to bloom of our native shrubs is the red-berried Elder, *Sambucus pubens*, and here is a fine specimen by the path, the bud-clusters already swelled as if almost ready to burst. They only need a little warmth and sunshine to develop the creamy white panicles, and these are quickly followed by scarlet berries. This is a lovely shrub in both flowers and fruit, and should be popular.

Near the Elder bush, along the path, is a fine specimen of *Pyrus baccata*. This is now still holding the diminutive "crab apples" of last season, but already the twigs are showing the swelling flower buds for next spring, and when in bloom what a glow! The thought of this brings vividly to view the big fluffy clusters of fragrant white bloom that will greet us in the spring.

These, dear Children, are a few of the things of promise to be seen at this season, and they only make us long for the time when the buds will be flowers, and the bees will buzz among the Maple bloom, and the birds sing in the branches.

LaPark, Pa., Dec. 17, 1917.

The Editor.



Paulownia Imperialis



## ACACIA LOPHANTHA.

**T**HIS is a beautiful, easily-grown plant, sometimes known as Albizzia lophantha. It is started from seeds, which come up promptly



when dropped for an instant in boiling water, then soaked for a day in warm water before planting. A sister in Genesee County, New York, gives an interesting report of her experience with the seedlings as follows:

Dear Mr. Editor:—A year ago last March I planted seven seeds of Acacia lophantha. In ten days they sent up the first tiny leaf. May 15th I gave each a separate pail. Their delicate, light green foliage looked very much like the fine-cut leaves of the Pepper Tree, and the children called them "Go-to-sleep Ferns," because their leaves closed at night. Last Fall I gave some away to neighbors, only keeping two. This last Spring I put the largest one into my old washing-machine frame, and it grew out by the north window all summer. My boys brought it in when freezing nights came, and it sits in the east bay-window, with branches that spread in every direction. From the ground to its top it measures five feet eleven inches. To make room for it I filled a large table with plants in the cellar.—Mrs. L. E. White, Genesee County, N. Y.

This plant does well bedded out in a somewhat protected corner, and prefers a sunny situation and sandy soil. In a pot it should not become root-bound, as it will cause the leaves to drop.

A hardy species is Albizzia Julibrissin. In Virginia it becomes a beautiful shade tree, and it will endure the winters in Southern Pennsylvania, as the Editor can testify from specimens now growing upon his grounds. It is of more robust growth than Lophantha, but has the same elegant fern-like leaves.

**Clematis "Die-back."**—It is well known that plants of Clematis Jackmanii, and occasionally some others, will suddenly wilt and die just when the plants are growing and apparently in a healthy condition. A writer in the English Garden says:

"Mr W. C. Glover has been able to identify the parasite which is the cause of the Clematis disease, and finds it to be a fungus belonging to the genus Ascocyta. He has succeeded in transmitting it from one plant to another by inoculation."

An effectual remedy for the disease is not yet known, but the following suggestions from Mr. Jackman, in the English Garden, may be found beneficial:

"I have for a long time advocated the planting of Clematises in an easterly or westerly aspect, in preference to the full south, so that they may escape the full force of the sun during the hottest time of the day. I have also noticed they apparently derive benefit from being planted in close proximity to other plants, where the foliage of the latter acts as a partial shade, more particularly to the stem and roots of the Clematis."

The varieties of Clematis Jackmanii are not dependable, no matter in what position they are grown. Plants will, however, mostly thrive and bloom for several years.

## NOTES ON SUNFLOWERS AND GLADIOLI.

**I**N the last six years, I have found time outside of office hours to cultivate a kitchen garden, 15x60 feet each summer, and each garden has proved to be a better one than any of the preceding ones.

In a city, one can't readily get poles for the climbing beans, so I have made use of sun-

flower stalks. I plant the beans at the ends of vegetable rows and after they have attained a foot in height, I put a Sunflower plant at the side of each hill. After it is four feet high, I keep it stripped of leaves, excepting the crown of plant and thus avoid too abundant shade. This also gives extra size and height to

the stalk: firm, and make support for the vines.

When ripe, I harvest the seed heads and either use the seed for chicken feed or sell it to the grain merchant. I cut the stalks into short lengths to use for kindling coal in the furnace or for use in the kitchen stove when fire is wanted for a short time only, as they burn with an intense heat.

With each successive planting of Peas, I put Gladiolus bulbs in the rows and pull up the pea vines so soon as they are stripped, thus giving the Gladioli plenty of time and space for glorious development. This last summer I cultivated an extra plot, 150x70 feet, and had Sunflowers with bean vines at the ends of many rows of vegetables. From these, I have almost one peck of shelled lima beans, besides what we used during the season: 27 pounds of Sunflower seed to market at 23 cents a pound and a plentiful supply of kindling in the furnace room.

Besides supplying our home with full vases of Gladioli, I cut 25 stalks full of bloom which were distributed by the visiting nurse at different times to the tubercular patients under her care.

All my spare hours from the office and many hours on Sundays were put in working in this garden of 28 different vegetables. It paid big, too; it was judged by the city gardens committee as perhaps the best in the city, which had more than 1500 War Gardens.

W. F. Schrader, M. D.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 6, 1917.



## THE MISSION OF FLOWERS.

A TRAVELER from a distant planet came to visit the earth. A Heavenly guide was sent to conduct him through the great cities. He was shown the wonders of science, art and architecture. He visited the great libraries and read the thoughts of the giant minds of the ages; he listened to the glorious voices of the world's greatest singers; his eyes feasted upon exquisite statuary and master paintings. The wonders of the twentieth century, telephone, telegraph, phonograph, aeroplane and Roentgen rays were exhibited to him. His attention was directed to the great strides made in every department of human life. All the great movements that have contributed to the progress of civilization were demonstrated in their workings to him.

But the traveler was not very favorably impressed. His keen eyes detected surfeited wealth and starving poverty side by side. He saw men and women crowded together like beasts in close, filthy tenements. Disease and misery were stalking everywhere. He heard the sobs of the orphan; he saw the tears of the widow; he heard the bitter cry of the down-trodden exploited and oppressed. The pulsating pain of suffering, sin-cursed humanity bowed his head with unutterable sorrow. Perceiving this the guide turned the traveler's face to the country, where the air was cool and pure, the atmosphere pure and peaceful.

The seeing eyes of the traveler clung to and drank in the beauty of the fragrant flowers in the gardens. The guide led him through the fields where the Lilies, Poppies and Daisies flourished. Thence to the mountains, beautiful with the wild Honeysuckle, Laurel and Trailing Arbutus. The traveler being pleased more with the flowers than all the wonders he had seen in the cities, asked: "What part do these play in the wonderful life of man?" The guide answered in a clear, beautiful voice, vibrating with enthusiasm: "They are God's smiles, His loving caresses showered on his beloved children. The flower freely gives of its beauty and fragrance to each and every one. In seasons of joy, it reminds us of Him to whom we owe everything, and points to the higher joys in that world to come. In sorrow it pleads with us to draw nearer to the creator of all things good and beautiful. In the hospital ward, to the weary sufferer it gently whispers of the Great Physician who never turned away from the cry of pain.

To those who worry, the flower cries, "I toil not, neither do I spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like I." In the lives of men and women who have crushed mind and body in the effort for physical existence, the flower comes to revive the deadened spirit and awakens a love for higher things. The flower's missions are divine. They are God's strengthening smiles, to stimulate the weary, cheer the discouraged and comfort the sorrowing, being always a precious proof of Divine love.

Miss Brownie Samsell.

Stephens City, Va., R. D. No 1.

## WILD LILIES.

WE HAVE transplanted some wild Lilies the past two years. If one knows the leaves they are easy to identify. We have a piece of woods where the timber is not very thick, and we found over twenty last fall. There are three kinds grow here. L.



Canadense or Meadow Lily, L. Superbum or Turk's Cap, and one that answers the description of L. Philadelphicum, except color. All the authorities we have say "orange-scarlet," and those we find have no orange tint. They are the color of A. Johnsonii, without the white stripe through the center; they have a few spots at the base of the petals. They have one to three flowers on a stalk, upright without any droop or recurve, like the others. We think this a much handsomer color than Canadense or Superbum. Canadense varies greatly, from scarlet to yellow. The flowers are on long stems at the top of the stalk. I have never found more than three on a stalk. The Superbum have many flowers on a leafy stalk. They grow very tall where the ground is rich.

G. A. F.

Tuscola Co., Mich.

**Amaryllis Hallii.**—Two bulbs were planted in springtime among the Pæonies. The third year a spike of four pink blossoms came from each bulb. The present season they were late in starting but made plenty of leaves: the 10th of September is here and no signs of their blooming. Last year they bloomed with the Japan gold-banded Lily. The three Lilies are gone, also the Tigers, all of which are among the Pæonies.

Eliza Bradish.

Grafton, Mass., Sept. 11, 1917.

[Note.—Field mice and gophers are very destructive to Lily bulbs, and often when the plants disappear it is due to the depredation of these little rodents.—Ed.]

**A Moss Plate.**—I wonder if you ever made a moss plate? I get some of the soil where I find the moss, put in a large, deep plate, some higher in the middle and cover with moss. I press in the dirt, making a hollow on one side, force a small piece of looking glass in the hollow, cover the edges with moss and have a tiny lake. Small Ferns, a tiny tree put in the dirt, and moss closed around it, makes a lovely spot of green for the dinner table. I sprinkle it each morning with a whisk broom, and it keeps beautiful.

Mrs C. S. George.

Stafford Springs, Conn.

**Asparagus.**—Asparagus plumosus and Asparagus Sprengeri, have been a great joy to me. I raised the plants from a mixed packet of seeds twelve years ago, and they have been in my window collection ever since.

Vermillion Co., Ill.

Aunt May.

**Bloom of Cactus.**—Just break off the first little joints of your Christmas Cactus, to promote free-blooming. A friend told me, and I will pass it on.

Mrs. C. H. Sitts.

Keasey, Oreg.



## FLORAL NOTES.

**Balsams.**—I am fond of Double Balsams, and the improved Camellia-flowered varieties are grand. The flowers show a wonderful range of colors, and are as double as roses. The plants do well in shade as well as sun, and bloom throughout the summer, if not allowed to form seeds. The plants can be pruned to five branches, or to a single upright stem. They show their flowers better when pruned.

Branson, Mo.

**Schizanthus.**—This little annual, known as Butterfly Flower, was new to me this year. It is very easy to grow. A bed of them is a delight. Such a variety of many colored butterflies, all bobbing in a breeze. I transplanted one when small into a jar for a house plant. It did not form as large a plant as those in the bed, but for a long time it was a mass of blossoms. In fact all blossoms instead of leaves. This one was lavender. Mrs. L. C. Stearns. Georgetown, N. Y.

**Foxgloves.**—I have had good success with my Foxgloves. I live in a mining locality where it is difficult to raise many flowers. One day several mining-men came to look at a mine in a Canyon. They said they never saw the like of those Foxgloves, some five feet high, and just loaded with bells. They are elegant for a bed or border, and bloom for a long time. They like a high, well-drained bed, and partial shade.

Jacksonville, Cal.

**Coral Cactus.**—My Coral, 47 years old, fine and thrifty, notwithstanding the cutting of forty pieces from it to supply friends, bloomed beautifully last summer. The small, white, wax-like blossoms were freely produced last summer, and were so lovely.

Elmira, N. Y.

Mrs. H. Southwell.

**Snapdragon.**—I want to tell you of the beautiful Giant Snapdragons I raised from a paper of seeds. They were just beautiful, and so many handsome colors. I never before knew they were so sweet. I had them planted near the porch, and the perfume was delicious. They were the admiration of every one. I think I will always plant a bed of Snapdragons.

Jefferson, Ga.

Mrs. J. O. Stockton.

**Pansies.**—I had fine results from my Orchid Pansies—twenty-eight plants, and only one that was of the common form and color. The rest were brown, blue and pink mixed with each other, and the petals ruffled and twisted until one sometimes looked again to be sure what kind of a flower it was. They are beautiful beyond description.

Chelsea, Vt.

Cora E. Moore.

**Carnation.**—From a package of mixed window garden seeds I raised among others one Carnation that was white and red blotched, large, and oh, how double, besides being very fragrant. It surely was the prettiest Carnation I ever saw.

Mrs. Caroline Amway.

DeSoto, Neb.

**Lychnis.**—I sowed a packet of Lychnis chalcedonica, early in the spring. I guess every seed came up, and all blossomed the same year. I have two large beds, and have sent numbers away. They are perfectly hardy. Even the seedlings stood their first winter with slight protection.

Mrs. W. C. Holmes.

Barrington, Mass.

**Sweet Peas.**—I planted my Sweet Peas in rows and tended them like I do the garden peas, and in August they stood about four feet high and of every color I ever saw in Sweet Peas. And such a tangle, a dog couldn't get through. In September they were still higher. I cut flowers every day off of them, to give to some friend. One friend in town (22 miles away) was the recipient of many a bouquet.

Westerheim, N. Dakota.

Edith Mellis.

**Sweet Sultan.**—We had the most severe drought last summer we ever experienced, and I had to give up most of my flowers, as the extreme heat cooked them. I grew Sweet Sultan for the first time, and the plants withstood the heat and the poor soil, and blossomed fine. The lavender flowers were beautiful, and lasted a long time. I think a bed of them under favorable conditions would be beautiful.

Alamo, Mich.

Martha A. Peck.

**Chrysanthemum.**

—We have enjoyed greatly some double white annual Chrysanthemums. They grew about three feet high and have been loaded all summer and autumn with beautiful white flowers resembling in size and shape our hardy ones. They remained in blossom until the hard freeze of November 2nd ending their season. They have a very pleasant odor.

Dorchester Center, Mass. L. M. Hershey.



M. Ferguson.







### THE ROBIN.

Little Robin Redbreast, this morn I heard your cheery voice,  
Messenger of Springtime, the sound was wondrous sweet;

Like some dear half-forgotten strain,  
That echoes in the heart again;  
Like joy that follows grief and pain,  
Or sunshine coming after rain,

Little Robin Redbreast your music made my heart rejoice,  
As, weary of a sunless world, I wait Spring's tardy feet.

"Cheer-lee! Cheer-lee!"

Hear the Robin singing:

"Mer-ri-lee! Mer-ri-lee!"

On the Maple swinging  
Soon the balmy winds will blow,  
Skies with radiant sunshine glow,  
Flowers will bloom and fountains flow,  
And all the earth be singing.

Little Robin Redbreast, does life hold only joy for you?  
At break of day your song rings out the waking world to cheer;

In russet coat and crimson vest,  
And rich black cap, so grandly dressed—  
Good luck attend your courting quest,  
And in my garden build your nest,

Little Robin Redbreast, you're welcome all the summer through,  
At dawn, at noon, and twilight hour I love your voice to hear.

"Cheer-lee! Cheer-lee!"

Hear the Robin singing:

"Mer-ri-lee! Mer-ri-lee!"

Age-old message bringing,  
Dreaming buds awake and hear,  
The rapture of the Spring is near,  
Sweetest time of all the year,  
When earth to life is springing.

Bolivar, W. Va.

Blanche A. Wheatley.

### THE FLOWERS LULLABY.

Good-night, little flowers, of summer fair,  
We'll miss you, but close your eyes;  
And lie ye low in your resting place,  
To await the spring-time skies.

You have made this world a beautiful place,  
All the days of the summer through;  
But now that the wintry days are here,  
Good-night, Good-night to you.

Good-night to you, my favored friends,  
Asleep in your cozy beds;  
Come down, pretty leaves, of tinted hue,  
And make for them comfy spreads.

Come down, tiny flakes of winter's snow,  
Make for each one a house;  
Where they can sleep the season through,  
As quiet as any mouse.

And so soundly sleep in your tiny beds,  
In this, your winter home;  
That you cannot hear as it hurries by,  
The North wind's lonesome moan,

But fresh and fair in your bloom again,  
Come forth to the Robin's call;  
That we may see you again and give,  
A welcome to you all.

Brookfield, N. Y., Oct. 19, 1917.

Vivian Brand.

### SPRING.

Gentle Springtime, I am waiting,  
Tho' I knew you on the wing;  
I can scarcely wait your coming,  
Flowers will bloom and birds will sing.

At your presence all grows lively,  
Things take on a different hue;  
Gentle Springtime I am waiting,  
Waiting patiently for you.

There are other things awaiting,  
Yes, the Tulips in the bed;  
And the gaudy little Crocus,  
Slowly pushing up its head.

Gentle Springtime do not loiter  
On your way tho' tired you be;  
Gentle Springtime, I am waiting,  
Waiting patiently for thee.

Benton Harbor, Mich., R. R. No. 1.  
Mrs. May Robb

### FLORAL SISTERS.

Floral Sisters, everywhere,  
Greetings here to you I send;  
Just because you love the flowers,  
I would count you each a friend.

Though we're many miles apart,  
North and South and East and West  
Kindred we in thought and heart,  
We, who love the flowers best.

Busy hands in many homes,  
Tired minds and weary feet;  
You have each a recompense,  
In your love for flowers, sweet

Let us, then, with trusting hearts,  
Face our duties here below;  
Knowing He, who gave the flowers,  
Must our ev'ry trial know.

Cardwell, Va. Annie Smith.

### THE TRILLIUM.

First pale harbinger of the tardy spring,  
White as the drifted snow that near you lies;  
Over your head no cheering bird-songs ring,  
Over your smile no peaceful, sunny skies.

And yet, in cloud and gloom, you bloom as fair,  
As though about you sighed the southern breeze;  
Your delicate, vague fragrance as sweet upon the air,  
As though birds sang above in flower-clad trees.

O, little flower, from you may all men learn,  
A lesson; that when black clouds hide the blue,  
When hopes are lost, when hearts with sadness yearn,  
To live content, and to the truth be true.

Spruce, Wash. Lois Isabel Perry

### A CHILD'S QUESTION.

Is brother at home with the angels, mother,  
With a beautiful crown on his head?  
And is he alive, is he playing up there,  
Why say they that baby is dead?

Yes, child, God took him to His city above,  
There to dwell with the angels of light;  
His body is dust, but his soul never dies—  
He is living, though out of sight

And he has a name, such a beautiful name,  
Which the dear loving Jesus has given;  
Little brother has gone to live with Him there,  
For of such is the kingdom of heaven.

Waco, Texas. Mrs. Ida Pierson.

### WHEN ROSES DIE.

The summer's ended and the roses lie,  
In sweet profusion, scattered, growing dry,  
Yet ever live a new 'ere night draws nigh,  
In subtle fragrance when soft breezes sigh.

And so there lingers, tho' we know not why,  
A vagrant sweetness in the earth and sky—  
Mysterious sweetness, as the days go by,  
When love is ended and life's roses die.

Roanoke, Va. Grace Imogen Gish.

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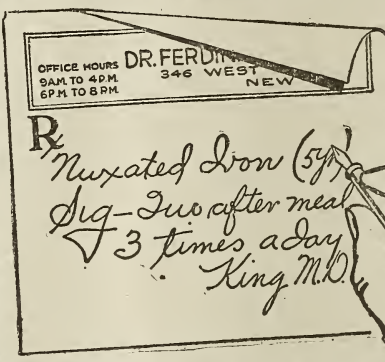
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Dr. H. B. Vail, formerly Physician in the Baltimore Hospital, and a Medical Examiner, says: "Throughout my experience on Hospital staffs and as Medical Examiner, I have been astonished at the number of patients who have vainly doctored for various diseases, when in reality their delicate, run-down state was simply the result of lack of iron in the blood. Time and again I have prescribed organic iron—Nuxated Iron—and surprised patients at the rapidity with which the weakness and general debility were replaced by a renewed feeling of strength and vitality. I took Nuxated Iron myself to build me up after a serious case of nervous exhaustion. The effects were apparent after a few days and within three weeks it had virtually revitalized my whole system and put me in a superb physical condition."

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## APART.

Though mountains, plains and rivers are between  
Our dwelling places, where we each may glean  
What happiness God wills our lives shall hold,  
We are together in fond memory's fold.

The same hour comes and moves us both along,  
One step toward that home, where joy and song  
Shall cheer God's children who have lived the Truth,  
Walking in faith, rejecting sins of youth

The same world is our playground, where we may  
Refresh our hearts in the sweet joys of play;  
And 'tis our workshop, wherein may be wrought  
Deeds in accord with what the Master taught.

Our love may flow from kindred hearts and blend  
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And we may be in spirit ever near,  
Since in God's love we both may bask, my dear!

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The home where I was born;  
The lilac bush outside the door,  
Where the robins sang in the morn.

I remember all about,  
When I was a little child;  
I sat on the grass to fish for bass,  
While the sun upon me smiled.

I well remember the pleasure I had,  
Under the apple tree;  
But I can't have the pleasure I used to have,  
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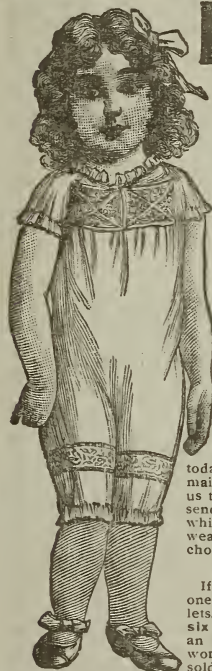


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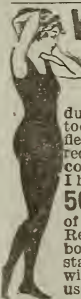
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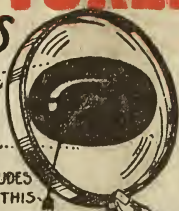
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